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MEMORANDUM TO: [REDACTED] Committee

FROM : Subcommittee

SUBJECT : Recommendations for Priority Program

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In accordance with the instructions from [REDACTED] Committee, the subcommittee has examined each of the four fields of investigation set forth in the Draft Framework [REDACTED] plan and has prepared two documents. The first is a list, which will be submitted to you in the near future, of about one hundred projects in the field of international Communism, which the subcommittee feels should be considered in connection with the total intelligence requirements of the American government in this field. The second is the subcommittee's recommendations for a priority program of projects, which it believes should be undertaken immediately.

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In presenting its recommendations for the projects on this priority program, the subcommittee wishes to point out that they are not rated as to importance or in the order in which they should be undertaken. The subcommittee believes that there is no reason to rate them, since the projects are each essential to a logical intelligence program, and the entire program should be executed by the several intelligence agencies. The recommended projects are:

- a. Communist capabilities and intentions for sabotage of important facilities in French and Italian areas vital to the United States' effort in the event of war or other emergencies.

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- b. Communist organizational potentials and capabilities in the international maritime industry.
- c. The mechanism of international Communism for control of, communication with, and financing of, the national Communist Parties. (An explorative summary.)
- d. Communist operations and organizations among scientific workers outside the Soviet Union.
- e. The impact of the Yugoslav and other defections on the cohesiveness of the World Communist Movement.
- f. The pattern of clandestine Communist activities, of both legal and illegal parties, relating to:
 - (1) Insurrection and preparation for insurrection;
 - (2) Communist penetration of armed and security forces;
 - (3) Partisan and resistance operations;
 - (4) Espionage;
 - (5) Intra-Party communications methods in these fields;
 - (6) Intra-Party financing in these fields.
- g. Basic Communist strategy in the present period, as revealed in Communist tactics in Southeast Asia.
- h. Present types, methods of selection, changing characteristics in the leadership of the Communist parties in Southeast Asia.
- i. (Exploratory summary) Communist related activities of Soviet embassies, and other overt agencies abroad, with particular reference to (1) espionage; (2) political activities; and (3) subversive activities.
- j. Comparative study of Communist methods for penetration of governments and assumption of power, as revealed in the Russian, Chinese, Czechoslovak and other experiences. (This is recommended only if it can be undertaken by external Research.)

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